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News Release

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Operation Medicine Drop – Saturday, April 30

The Durham Police Department and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will host Operation Medicine Drop from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, April 30 at the following locations:

- Walgreens at 1812 Holloway Street
- Kroger at 3457 Hillsborough Road
- Triangle Pharmacy/Ace Hardware at 1700 East NC Highway 54
- Kroger at 202 West NC Highway 54

Operation Medicine Drop allows people to safely and anonymously dispose of unused or expired over-the-counter and prescription medications. The program's purpose is to educate the public on the dangers of pharmaceutical drug abuse and accidental poisonings as well as educate them on the responsible handling, security and destruction of prescription and over-the-counter medications.

Officers at these locations will supervise the collection and maintain security of any collected materials. The medications will be collected in cardboard boxes and transported to the Stericycle incinerator at the North Carolina State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) lab. The collected materials will be destroyed in a safe and environmentally friendly manner.

The Durham Police Department also has three Operation Medicine Drop locations that are used throughout the year and all drop-offs may be done anonymously. DPD's Operation Medicine Drop boxes are at:

Durham Police Headquarters

505 West Chapel Hill Street

Open 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. Enter front door of main lobby.

District 2 Substation

5285 North Roxboro Road (lot of Eno Square Shopping Center)

Monday through Friday only, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Ring buzzer for assistance. Do not leave medicines at the door.

District 3 Substation

#8 Consultant Place (near Wynnsong Movie Plaza)

Monday through Friday only, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Ring buzzer for assistance. Do not leave medicines at the door.